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TWO CENTS

MAXWELL MINE TO BE EQUIPPED AS A BIG PRODUCER OF COAL

Will Ship 5,000 Tons Daily By Water When Completed

ALL FOR CLAIRTON PLANT

That coal developments in the upper pools are to continue at high pressure is shown by the preparations now under way for the production of additional tonnage by the Frick Coke Company, which as a subsidiary of the Steel Corporation is becoming a leading factor in the trade in the Monongahela valley.

This company received a Federal permit on Tuesday to construct a coal tippie, ice breakers and place fender piles for a coal harbor on the right bank of the Monongahela, about six miles below Lock No. 6. The permit also calls for the removal of about 7,000 cubic yards of material.

The Frick Coke company owns the Maxwell mine in the Fifth pool, where this improvement will be made and which will be equipped to ship about 5,000 tons of coal per day, all of which will be sent up river to the by-product ovens at Clairton. It is also likely that when this mine is improved that large quantities of coal from Fayette county coal fields somewhat remote from the river and which have heretofore been turned into coke in the old-type beehive ovens, will be sent through underground entries to the Maxwell mine tippie, there to be loaded in big steel barges for shipment to Clairton.

The Clairton plant is already requiring 9,200 tons of bituminous coal every 24 hours and as new ovens are now under construction, it will not be a great while until additional thousands of tons of coal will be required to keep these ovens going.

The quantity of coal now required by the Clairton plant, measured in bushels is over 242,000 bushels daily and when the full number of ovens is completed and in commission it will require over 300,000 bushels daily.

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REWARD

The Charleroi Fire Department will pay \$100 reward for the arrest and conviction of anyone turning in a false alarm or in any way tampering with the fire alarm system.

Charleroi Volunteer Fire Dept. 194 t-3

Majestic Theatre Today

Return to the screen of the famous G. M. Anderson (Broncho Billy) in "Red Blood And Yellow" Also a Sunshine Comedy Tomorrow—Annette Kellerman in "Queen of the Sea"

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TO DEDICATE HONOR ROLL

Lock Four to Hold Patriotic Service on Sunday Next

A FINE PROGRAM PREPARED

The Honor Roll of North Charleroi, which has been erected near the entrance to the Charleroi-Monessen bridge, will be dedicated on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. A splendid program has been prepared for the event, opening with a concert of patriotic airs by the band which will be followed by patriotic songs to be delivered by the school children. There will be but one address, the speaker to be announced later. The committee in charge invites all civil and Spanish-American war veterans, as well as soldiers of the war just closed and who may be in this vicinity at the present time. An invitation is also extended to the Charleroi Home Defense Police as well as other uniformed bodies to take part in the exercises of the afternoon.

ALLEGED HOLD-UP ON BELLEVERNON BRIDGE

Chief Albright received a call last night from Speers to be on the lock-out for a man wearing a dark overcoat and a yellow sweater, who was alleged to have held up a woman who was crossing the Belle Vernon bridge some time earlier in the evening. The local police watched all incoming cars, but could get no trace of the man. Other towns down the river were also called, but nothing was seen of a man answering the description given. Of late the number of robberies and hold-ups have been largely on the increase and it looks as if a wave of crime was sweeping this section of the valley.

Local High Will Play McKeesport On Friday

The opening game of the local basketball season in the Western Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association will take place on Friday next, at six o'clock to be announced later, between the McKeesport High school team and the Charleroi High. The game will be played on the local floor and a warm contest is expected. The local High management will exclude all those under 18 years of age from the game, and while this will prevent many of the local students from attending the game, the management prefers to keep strictly within the limitations set by the Board of Health.

The McKeesport team is one of the strongest in the league, having won two and lost one game. It defeated the Donora team Tuesday afternoon by a score of 43 to 23, which would seem to indicate that it has a team of exceptional merit. However, the locals are not at all alarmed over the outlook and expect to give the visitors one of the hardest battles of the season.

Coyle Theatre Friday Norma Talmadge and Eugene O'Brien in their latest Select picture "HER ONLY WAY"

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TENTATIVE DATES FIXED FOR THE GRADUATION OF SENIOR "A" CLASS

OLD MAIL SCHEDULE AGAIN IN EFFECT

The former mail schedule, under which letters could be mailed in the Charleroi postoffice at 8 o'clock and be forwarded on the 9:23 train, and which was suspended several weeks ago, was restored on Monday and is once more in full force and effect. The schedule replaced provided for all mail being in the office by 6:30, to leave on the 7 o'clock train.

BOLD ROBBER AT LOCK FOUR

Invades Home and Holds Up Occupant at Revolver Point

TIES WOMAN, SEARCHES HOUSE

Mrs. John Bisenkamp of Lock Four had a very terrifying experience last night between the hours of 7 and 8 o'clock, when her home was invaded by a stranger, who held her up at the point of a revolver, tied her hand and foot and bound her to a stand, after which he proceeded to ransack the house.

Some time ago Mr. Bisenkamp received a threatening letter, since which time he has kept very close to his home in the evenings. Last evening he had occasion to go up on the hill on a business mission, which required about two hours of his time. It was while he was absent that the burglar made his appearance at the Bisenkamp home and proceeded to ransack it.

He gained an entrance by means of a skeleton key and met Mrs. Bisenkamp at the foot of the stairs as she was on her way down from the upper rooms where she had put her children to bed. The robber held her up at the point of a revolver and after tying her fast as above noted, proceeded to go through the house, opening drawers and cupboards and turning things upside down generally after which he left.

When Mr. Bisenkamp came home about 9:30 he could not get into the house, his wife calling to him and saying she was tied. Mr. Bisenkamp secured the services of Squire Scoot and other neighbors and the door was broken down, after which Mrs. Bisenkamp was released. She could give but little information as to the burglar, who had evidently made good his escape, although instant search was made throughout the community.

After going over the house Mr. Bisenkamp could not find anything missing nor was any clue found which would identify the intruder.

Dr. W. H. Crawford, of Allegheny College, to Deliver Address

CLASS PLAY ON MARCH 7TH.

Superintendent Pollock this morning announced the tentative dates for the graduation of the Senior "A" class of the local high school. As now outlined the dates selected are: For the class play March 7th, for the Baccalaureate sermon, which will be delivered in the high school auditorium by the Rev. C. A. Keller, pastor of the First Presbyterian church Sunday evening, March 9th at 7:45 o'clock; graduation day, Monday March 10. Dr. W. H. Crawford, President of Allegheny College, will deliver the graduation address.

It is the intention of Superintendent Pollock and the high school faculty to have the graduating class report next Monday to take up their work in order to prepare them for the final examinations. Statistics of the class have been secured, which show that all of them are over 18 years of age, thus allowing them to attend school sessions, according to the interpretation of the Board of Health's orders by the school faculty.

Of course conditions may arise whereby the above dates may be changed, but unless some unforeseen circumstances intervene, Superintendent Pollock will adhere to the schedule outlined above. The teachers are anxious to have the class fully prepared for the coming examinations, and the students are equally anxious to complete their high school course, which they will be able to do if they are permitted to continue with their recitations beginning on Monday next. Parents of the students are likewise anxious that these pupils may continue their work and thus be enabled to complete their studies required before graduation.

EXPLAINS CHANGE IN COMMANDERS

Full explanation of the conflicting reports concerning change in commands of the Twenty-eighth Division the old Pennsylvania National Guard was made by Gen. March, chief of staff at Washington on Tuesday. Gen. Darrah has commanded the Fifty-fifth Infantry Brigade, made up of the 109th and 110th Regiments, while Gen. Weigel commanded the Fifty-sixth Infantry Brigade, composed of the 111th and 112th Regiments until some time in July, when he was appointed a Major General and was succeeded by Gen. Nolan, who in turn was succeeded by Gen. Albright who has since been discharged from the service.

Coyle Theatre Today

Emmy Wehlen in a Metro picture "SYLVIA ON A SPREE"

Tomorrow—Mae Murray in one of Robert Leonard's productions in 6 reels, "Danger Go Slow"



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JUSTICE TO THE Y. M. C. A.

There is danger that a very grave injustice will be done the Y. M. C. A. Our fighters seem to be in a groove with it. The most humane and best of youth is being kept in a groove. They wouldn't fight, said an officer in France last summer when he reminded a "Y" secretary that the doughboys were kicking about their mail, their food, their quarters and their pay.

Before the armistice was signed we used to hear that the Y. M. C. A. was open to criticism behind the lines, but that at the front the services rendered under fire were beyond praise. One commanding officer insisted that the "Y" secretary attached to his battalion march with the men through Paris on the Fourth of July. Secretaries were mentioned in citations and were elected honorary members of outfits.

You can't very well criticize a man when he crawls out to your machine gun nest through a barrage to bring you your smokes and cookies and chocolates and letters from home and the records show that secretaries did things like that. Many were wounded; some were killed.

The secretary in his hut back of the training area had a harder time and less opportunity to win popularity. He was a country storekeeper, a janitor, a theatrical booking agent, a promoter of athletics and a librarian rolled into one.

Formerly the criticism one heard of the Y. M. C. A. took these difficulties and differences into account and was at least discriminating, but now it is becoming fashionable to say unpleasant things about the organization, and much of its really fine work is disregarded.

When you remember that each military unit formed its opinion of the Y. M. C. A. organization from one "Y" M. C. A. secretary you can realize how much more energy, tact and resourcefulness each of many thousands of secretaries should have had. Unfortunately many of them didn't measure up. That was inevitable.

Perhaps the greatest fault of the Y. M. C. A. was that it assumed too many burdens. It was asked by the army to run the canteens, and it did. It was asked to organize entertainments, athletic and educational work and it did. It was asked to send money to the front and it did. The army called for more new secretaries and still more. The Y. M. C. A. got them and sent them over, believing that even though all of them weren't ideal, it was better to send them than to let the leading troops go without their help. And the troops were right. No one could fault them.

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realize that the canteen system, supporting the post exchange, run by the military in other wars, was run by the "Y" by request with funds separate from those raised for the regular work of building and manning huts, transporting supplies and furnishing athletic, educational work and entertainment. He doesn't remember if he ever knew that supplies were given away under fire.—New York Tribune.

THE REAL QUESTION

A Chicago press agent of the distiller of the country is said to have announced that the said distillers are able and ready to spend a billion dollars to defeat the prohibition amendment to the Constitution of the United States. This sounds more like an apprehensive surmise of a prohibitionist than a statement of fact. It is a statement of fact that a very real battle is being fought between the distillers and the prohibitionists. The distillers are seeking to protect their property and business interests by employing the ablest legal counsel and by forwarding legitimate agitation against the policy of nation-wide prohibition. But nothing like a billion dollars is needed for this, and nothing can do more to hurt their interests than a popular impression that a great corruption fund has been raised.

The wise thing for the anti-prohibition forces to do, including the distillers themselves, is to seek to show that the damage to the property and business of liquor manufacturers is a secondary question altogether, and that the real question of importance is whether the moderate use of intoxicants should be denied the masses of a free people because of abuse by a relatively small number, and whether the needed restraint of those who abuse one of nature's products can not be secured by their proper punishment. Certainly it is this question, rather than the mere property loss of brewers and distillers, that should engage the attention of thinking men in and out of the State legislatures, thirty-six of which must ratify the amendment before it is adopted.

DECREASED HOMICIDE

It is gratifying to learn that there was considerably less homicide in the United States in 1917, our first year of war, than in 1916 and there seems to be room for hope that the figures for 1918 will show still greater improvement. Whether the spectacle of the great war, with so many Americans committing legitimate homicide in Europe and with the issue long in doubt, tended to check private quarrels by satisfying the appetite for gory excitement as well as, inducing mental soberness can not of course, be certainly determined. But it is not unlikely that the tragic world-struggle did exert somewhat of a restraining influence even upon men of lawless instincts and untamed passions. If the great war could check selfishness and excite worthy endeavor in at least ninety per cent of our people, as it unquestionably did, there is no good reason why it should not also have tended to restrain even murderous passion.

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still fighting the Bolsheviks in the snows of the Archangel region and the end of this adventure does not seem to be in sight. What is America's policy as to this chaotic Russia, anyhow?

Now that one of the Hohenzollerns has gone to work the rest of them doubtless think the world is coming to an end. The one who has taken this extraordinary step is August, the youngest son of the "Al-Highest" who is also the only one of a numerous family who has the honor of a wound (a very slight one) in his country's service.

Reason Must Dominate Love.

Love is unstable. It springs from our primitive ancestors, who dwell in the cliffs and went forth and secured what they desired by brute force. It is a question of intellect or sentiment at that time. As the human mind advanced intellectually this instinct has become polished and civilized, but the same force which actuated the cave man is still the predominating factor of modern society, and until reason displaces sentiment, until intellect displaces instinct, we shall be slaves.—Chicago News.

The Snoopers.

It is bad manners, and almost bad morals, for one office employee to pry into the business of another. Be careful not to show curiosity or to examine without permission any paper left on top of a desk or pages left in a typewriter or in the drawers of a desk. Each worker's desk is his private sanctum and should not be violated by the prying eyes or hands of others.—Biddy Eye.

Vegetable Diet.

A well-balanced diet does not necessitate much meat. The leaf vegetables, like cabbage, spinach, celery, onions, etc., are now in their prime, and should be used as the basis of a number of appetizing dishes. Supplemented as they can be by a liberal allowance of milk, cereals and a limited number of eggs, the proper food values are fully maintained.

Builder of Pagoda.

The Burman, if he acquires wealth, must also acquire merit—"Kutha"—and this he must do by building a pagoda on which shall be set out on a marble slab how much money he spent on building it. He likes people to address him as "Builder of a Pagoda," and he will say to his wife before others: "Oh, wife of a builder of a pagoda!"

The Mocking Bird.

The mocking bird is a native of America and the West Indies, and is remarkable for its vocal powers and for its facility for imitating other birds as well as different sounds which it hears. Its voice is full and musical, and capable of modulation, from the clear tone of the woodthrush to the scream of the eagle.

Color of Pure Copper.

The work of a Swiss investigator suggests that absolutely pure copper may have a light gray color like that of most other metals, since it is found that copper which has been ten times distilled in vacuo has only a pale rose color, while the yellow color of gold becomes much lighter under similar treatments.

Hard to Manage.

A man who has lately undertaken the management of a certain temperamental star was asked, during the past week, about the young woman's well-being. He replied: "She is all right, but she is a little bit of a handful."

Origin of One Proverb.

One obvious historical glimpse in proverbs. The familiar "robbing Peter to pay Paul" is said to derive its origin from the fact that in the reign of Edward VI the lands of St. Peter at Westminster were appropriated to raise money for the repair of St. Paul's.

Fish Will Cannot Eat.

While there are many varieties and great quantities of curious fish in the abyssal depths of the ocean (some have been trawled up from depths of three miles or more), none of these are edible. The limit to which fish fit for food is found in 1,000 feet.

An archaeologist recently dug up a skeleton of a man of ancient times. He was found in a very peculiar position, and it was found that he had been killed by a spear.

A Pen Joke.

A boy who is a firm believer in the "raise-a-pig" plan has a porker which he has christened "ink," because he says the pig runs so freely from the pen.

Pacific Deep-sea Ocean.

It is believed that the Pacific is fully a mile deeper than any other ocean.

PEOPLE IN EARTH'S INTERIOR?

Man of Science Believed There Were, and Sought Funds to Make an Investigation.

On November 19, 1822, one of the most peculiar petitions ever presented to congress was brought before that body of lawmakers, which was none other than a request from John Cleves Symmes, asking that aid be given him to make a voyage to the interior of the globe, which he believed to be habitable. He was permitted to lecture before Union college, at which he expounded his theory, which, however, was met with universal ridicule.

Notwithstanding which he was greatly respected as a man. He held that all planetary bodies, including the earth, are composed of concentric spheres, open at their poles. In one of his memoirs he thus illustrates his conception: "With dividers describe a plane of matter of loose texture, and in the center add a very small circle; draw a line through the center. It is evident that either half of the inner circle, being at last equally surrounded by matter, must be very little gravitated centerwise, so being suspended, only a rotary motion is needed to throw it compactly toward the outer circle. This being admitted it follows that half way from the outer to the inner side of this circle of matter thus thrown out, a like rarity, suspension or balance of gravity should prevail, and hence a disposition to concentric circles; therefore it follows that successive similar subdivisions should exist, gradually lessening in force and quantity. By applying this principle to the earth I find the necessity of hollow concentric spheres."

MARKED PROGRESS OF MAN

Invention of Outrigger Canoe Was One of the Greatest in History of the World.

One of the great epoch-making inventions was the outrigger canoe, which is of Polynesian or perhaps Malay origin. It made practicable the exploration of the Pacific and the settlement of island groups separated from one another by vast distances. The great sailing canoes in which migrants from Tahiti voyaged northward over thousands of miles of trackless ocean to the Hawaiian Islands, nobody knows how many centuries ago, giving to that archipelago its first population, carried 50 or more men and women, presumably with children accompanying.

Captain Cook, the first white explorer to map the Pacific, found all the island groups inhabited. The people did not say to him: "We are discovered at last!" They were themselves the discoverers. Long centuries before Captain Cook was born they had traversed all parts of that ocean; and the Polynesian navigators had mapped it for themselves with curious charts made of little sticks. Children in that part of the world are brought up in boats. They are amphibious. Canoes for themselves they make out of hollowed logs, with sticks of bamboo for outriggers. Land and water are the same to them; they are equally at home in the sea or on terra firma.

Illness and Literature.

There is nothing like a good, long illness for the cultivation of pure literature. It should not be too severe or needlessly painful, for then you may overshoot the mark and be too weary to read or be read to. It is possible to have too much of even the best things. But a proper, comfortable illness, that keeps you in bed, yet leaves you free to read; that banishes all the interruptions of life, the constitutional walks, the stupid visits, the annoying correspondence, the dressing and the undressing, and all the amenities of modern civilization, and allows you to lie at peace and read your fill, is among the best gifts of the gods. You soon forget to be sleepy and lazy, and you become conscious of an insatiable craving for books.—Ohio State Journal.

Great British Soldier.

Arthur Wellesley, first Duke of Wellington, was born probably on the 29th of April, 1769, in Dublin. He was an unpromising boy, and his mother, deciding that her "ugly boy, Arthur," was "fit food for powder and nothing else," sent him to a military academy at Angers, France. He entered the army in 1787 and rose rapidly, seeing much service, until his great opportunity came when Napoleon returned from Elba and Wellington was summoned to command the forces of the English and allies in Belgium, in co-operation with the Prussians under Blucher. The battles of Ligny and Quatre Bras were followed by the battle of Waterloo, June 18, 1815, which finally shattered the power of Napoleon. Wellington was buried in St. Paul's cathedral, November 18, 1852.

Samuel F. B. Morse, inventor of the electric telegraph, was a literary man and an artist before he became one of the world's greatest inventors. He was a graduate of Yale college and had qualifications for authorship that would have won success if he had turned his attention in that direction. Then he took up art and studied under the great Benjamin West, in England, and painted portraits for a few years, and was the first president of the Academy of Design in New York. But he did not develop his true mission until he took up electricity and invented the telegraph.

Columbus Woman Chosen to Name "Liberty Boat"



MRS. FRANK C. MARTIN

ONE of the big ocean boats which will ply the Atlantic laden with the freight of peace and commerce will bear a name given it by Mrs. Frank C. Martin of Columbus, O.

Mrs. Martin is the choice of her county to christen a boat now building in one of the government shipyards and which Franklin County, Ohio, has won the right to name. The honor was bestowed in the last Liberty Loan campaign when Franklin County was the first county in its area to pass its quota of sales. The quota for Franklin was \$13,070,550.

Columbus women had their part in the winning of the honor for they were tireless salespeople during the campaign. And Mrs. Martin, a leader among the clubwomen there, bore a big share of the burden.

When the Fat Years Return

By F. C.

Ambulance 1/36, Western Front. When the fat years return, and, rich and free, You half forget, as men have ever done, The price once paid for your security, Thinking too much of fortune lost or won, Too much of pride and laughter, food and ease, Or of some public favor cheaply earned, Oh, then turn back the page and think of these Who gave their bodies for freedom to be burned. For these lived, too; they, too, loved ease and laughter, Sunlight, the green earth. All that you still keep They had, and more—vision. If you come after And dare forget them, buried so young, so deep, And dare forget this faith for which they stood— Ah, but you will not, being of their blood! —The Outlook.

The Crops of Victory

THE crops of "Victory Year," as reported by the government, added about \$17,000,000,000 to our wealth. Here are just a few of the principal items: Corn—2,582,314,000 bushels, \$3,528,113,000. Wheat—917,100,000 bushels, \$1,874,623,000. Oats—1,538,259,000 bushels, \$1,092,230,000. Barley—256,375,000 bushels, \$225,650,000. Rye—89,102,000 bushels, \$124,947,600. Potatoes—397,676,000 bushels, \$475,731,000. Hay—75,459,000 tons, \$1,522,473,000. Tobacco—1,240,019,000 pounds, \$118,000,000. Lard—17,039,000 barrels, \$200,000,000.

Liberty Loan Levee

Bill lived for one thing—just to spend. Couldn't even spare money to lend. Saw? Well, couldn't do it. And he—well, you know it. He died poor, but early.—The End.

GET AFTER THAT COLD RIGHT NOW

Get right after it with a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery

She never let a cough or cold or case of grippe go until it grew dangerous. She just nipped it when she began to snifle or cough before it developed seriously. Men, women, and children of every age have used this preparation for fifty years as a prompt reliever. All ages are using it today because of its positive results. Generous size bottles. 60c and \$1.20.

Constipation Corrected

Dr. King's New Life Pills tonight mean clear bowels, a clear head, clear thinking, a day well begun in the morning, good digestion, clearing skin, mild in action but sure and comfortable. At drug stores everywhere. 25c.

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